

**Remarks*****Status of Claims***

Claims 25-48 are currently pending.

***Election***

A restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 has been issued in which claims 25-48 were separated into 2 groups. *See, Paper No. 2232006, page 2.*

In order to comply with the pending election requirement, Applicants herein elect claims embodying the subject matter currently restricted to Group 1 for further prosecution. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully request a search and examination of claim 48 upon allowance of generic claim 25.

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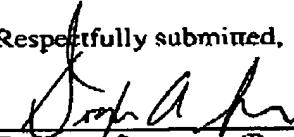
**Conclusion**

Applicants respectfully request that the above-made remarks be entered and made of record in the file history of the instant application. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the phone number provided below if any further action by Applicant would expedite the examination of this application.

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